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SAINSBURY REVISIONS UNDER FIRE

REVISED plans from Sainsbury's to address concerns about its proposed superstore in Hythe do not go far enough, say campaigners.

The supermarket giant was asked to go back to the drawing board after councillors last month deferred a decision on whether to approve the plans after questions were raised about parking, access and the impact on town-centre shops.

The new measures include moving the service yard three metres further away from houses in Military Terrace,

■ BY JAMES ALEXANDRE

raising the height of an acoustic wall to reduce noise and vibration and providing £12,000 for double-glazing.

Staff would also be given 20 spaces to park their cars on site and another 20 permits to use in local car-parks to avoid leaving their vehicles in Military Road.

Delivery times have also been changed, after a suggestion from councillor Susan Carey at the meeting, to 8am-10pm Monday to Friday, 10am-10pm on Saturday and 9am-5pm on Sunday.

But Dorene McCormack of the Care About Hythe group, which opposes the plans, said there was no mention by Sainsbury's of traffic concerns or a further traffic assessment being carried out.

In a letter to Shepway council in response to the latest plans, she said: "Is there anyone who would agree it's acceptable to have HGVs carrying out deliveries alongside residential properties until ten in the evening?"

About the impact on town-centre shops, Steve Wilson, on behalf of Sainsbury's, said in his letter to the council: "It is not necessarily the case

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JULIE GETS HER TEETH INTO RIDE

Folkestone mother Julie McGrath conquered a life-long fear of roller-coasters by having a hypnotherapy session after being entered in a competition by her nine-year-old son.

Julie, 45, was nominated by son James after she had missed out on family trips to theme parks. Hypnotherapist Stephen Rigby, who ran the session at Chessington World of Adventures, Surrey, said: "We addressed real issues with fear and gave people new opportunities – that's what hypnotherapy is all about."

Julie (above with James on the Vampire Ride) said: "I was so nervous on the day and really didn't know what to expect. I can't explain how it worked. All I know is that when I went on the ride all the nerves had disappeared and I really enjoyed it."

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Renewed call to back Lydd growth plans

■ BY JAMES ALEXANDRE

THE Government's rejection of Dungeness as the site of a new nuclear reactor only adds to the importance of Lydd Airport's expansion plans.

That is the message from airport MD Jonathan Gordon, who said the loss of potential jobs could be made up for if Shepway council approves a new 500,000 passenger terminal and 300-metre runway.

But campaigners said the reasons why Dungeness was turned down – on ecological and environmental grounds – apply equally to the airport and demonstrate why its plans should not go ahead.

Mr Gordon said: "This will not only mean a shortfall in the number of long-term jobs, but also the benefit Romney Marsh would have enjoyed from the surge in activity associated with the build will be lost."

"The power stations at Dungeness and the airport have always worked well together and the prospect of the additional site would have caused no problems for either party."

He said the grounds for rejection "leave one at a loss for a balanced view" and the environmental impact had to be weighed against the benefits.

Mr Gordon said: "As with the airport, the benefits of the development are obvious and one has to question whether ultimately any development anywhere will be stifled by perhaps overzealous and heavily empowered Government quangos."

"Without Dungeness C the economic impact of the airport will grow in importance."

He also said the anti-expansion Lydd Airport Action Group's claims



POWER POINT: Dungeness C is unlikely to be built due to environmental concerns

about possible dangers associated with Dungeness C were "resolved" and said its objections about the airport being a poorer relation for employment were false.

Louise Barton of LAAG said there were many factors which influenced their opposition to the airport, nuclear safety being just one.

She said: "Habitat regulations are the principal reason why the power station was dropped and if anything it strengthens the ecological argument why the airport's plans should be rejected, as recommended by Shepway planning officers."

"The net impact on employment is likely to be very small as fewer people will want to visit Dungeness and other beauty spots if there are aircraft flying overhead."

"The no-fly zone around the station will still stay in place for 50 years after the B reactor is decommissioned, which will be an impediment to flight paths and highlights the risk associated with having an airport so close. The overall impact of an expanded airport, with its air pollution, take-off noise and massive increase in road traffic, will be much greater and over a wider area than the power station."

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Awaydays at film club

THE Whitehorse Film Club is showcasing another homegrown title next week as part of its schedule of foreign, independent and classic movies.

Awaydays, based on the novel by Kevin Sampson, tells how a civil servant gets lured into football hooliganism. The club usually shows films at The Bar Below in Folkestone on the last Thursday of the month. The next showing is on November 26 and each feature film will be preceded by short works by local film-makers.

The next film will be British classic The Life and Death of Colonel Blimp, directed by Canterbury-born Michael Powell, on Tuesday, December 22.

Nazi graffiti removed

RACIST graffiti has been removed from a subway in Folkestone after it was noticed by neighbourhood police officers.

East Folkestone PCSOs Janet Rumley and Bethan Ghost saw the graffiti, which included a swastika, in the underpass between Dallas Brett Crescent and Brabner Close.

Anyone with information about the graffiti should call Det Sgt James Ross on 01303 850055.

Robbery thugs hunt

A ROBBERY in Folkestone saw two children threatened and cash and jewellery taken.

Six robbers forced their way into a Dolphins Road property and threatened the youngsters just before 10pm on Monday, November 16.

One of the offenders is white, in his mid 20s and 5ft 6in tall. Another is of east European appearance, in his early 20s, 5ft 4in, of skinny build, with brown eyes and short brown hair. A third is black and of medium build. If you can help trace them, call south Kent police on 01303 289180.

Joni Mitchell tribute

THE Joni Mitchell Project will be at the Quarterhouse in Tontine Street on Saturday. Sally Barker and Glenn Hughes will be playing a selection of Joni Mitchell songs. Tickets are £6 in advance, £7 on the door, starting at 7.30pm.

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LibDem online war of words as PPC resigns

■ BY JAMES ALEXANDRE

AN ONLINE row has broken out between past and present Shepway Liberal Democrats in the wake of Neil Matthews's resignation as the party's parliamentary candidate.

The decision by the Hythe-based district councillor was due to personal reasons, only six months before a general election, and applications are now being invited for the vacancy.

Commenting on the story on the influential Lib Dem Voice blog, former PPC Toby Philpott, who himself quit the post 18 months ago, stated: "There is an element of the 'curse of gnome' here, as Matthews knifed me in the back."

"Shepway LibDems are a mess now, and it is going to be very hard for the local party to get itself into a position to recover."

"This is bad for the area, and the party nationally really does have to wake up and take some action to reduce the malign influence of a clique that has ruined the Shepway LibDems and reduced any chance of an effective opposition to the Tories on Shepway council who are making some dreadful decisions."

Mr Philpott then hinted at another run for the seat: "If the candidate selection/imposition is a 'stitch-up', then I put the party on warning. You will be opposed."

In response, Hythe town councillor Sam Matthews, who is Neil Matthews's son, wrote that his father had led the party to win five seats off the Conservatives, including one at



POLITICAL ROW: LibDems Neil Matthews (left) and son Sam Matthews are at loggerheads with Toby Philpott (right)

county council level. He wrote: "The previous PPC really needs to look at how he comes across... I will keep my opinion to myself."

"And if he thinks he will 'oppose', then he needs a membership card. Oops, he lost that."

In response, Mr Philpott stated he had never been expelled from the party, and the LibDems had lost control of Folkestone Town Council after Neil Matthews had been selected and half the group's district councillors eventually quit the party.

He wrote: "You might want to get out a bit more, Sam, and talk to more real people around Folkestone who don't share your worldview."

"You never really showed me much courtesy and my observations of you suggest that you could be a bit more broadminded and realise

that some people would like to have an MP that grew up in the constituency."

"There are a number of people around the town who have known me from a very young age and they really did not like what went on at all."

"It sent a signal about what people thought of locals and it hasn't played well."

Speaking to Yourshepway, Sam Matthews said: "My dad chose to step down as PPC. The party hasn't changed, the only thing that has is that he's not PPC any more."

Potential applicants who wish to apply for the PPC post should email returning officer Mike Simpson at mikeg.simpson@virgin.net or phone 01883 627438. Completed forms must be received by noon on Saturday.



Jamal sticks his neck out

JAMAL the giraffe is the latest addition to Port Lympne's five-strong bachelor herd and the first of his subspecies to arrive at the park.

Known as a Reticulated giraffe, he has clearer markings than the park's current herd of Rothschild and was an instant hit as he took his first tentative steps out of his enclosure, having arrived from Whipsnade on his third birthday.

Although the two largest males, Sebastian and Settanta, were more interested in stripping leaves from a nearby branch, they did manage to give Jamal a welcome sniff.

Head of the giraffe section Paul Beer said Jamal licked the chests of his contemporaries to show his submissive status, which bodes well for his future success with the herd.

All subspecies of giraffe are conservation dependent, due to poaching which has reduced the wild population.

Sainsbury's under fire

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that an overlap in goods means stores compete directly against each other. For example, it is highly unlikely that the clothes ranges retailed from the proposed store would compete with the higher-end fashion retailers in Hythe.

"We would point out also that there are a large number of restaurants and cafes in the town centre and it is these outlets that can be expected to benefit from the significant degree of linked expenditure as a result of the Sainsbury's proposals."

But Mrs McCormack said the report used by Sainsbury's was flawed. She said: "This report has been selective and fails to mention the full range of goods offered by high-street traders."

"Many traders are surviving, despite competition from surrounding supermarkets. In five years' time, should the superstore be built, it will more than likely be a different story."

"Military Road is unsuitable for a superstore. It would be advantageous to Hythe and its residents if there were to be no further supermarkets to the ones already here."

The meeting to decide the application is expected to be held on December 15 at the Civic Centre, although no date has been set.

Conservation zones needed 'to protect vulnerable seabirds'

SPECIAL protection should be given to Romney Marsh and Dungeness as the area is a nationally important site for seabirds, say environmentalists.

The passing of a Marine and Coastal Access Act last week has been welcomed by the RSPB as a way of safeguarding wildlife.

However, experts say that the legislation must now be used to create a network of marine conservation zones offering protection for important and vulnerable marine species.

The RSPB has identified 21 sites of national importance for seabirds in English waters, which they say the Government should protect.

Two of the sites are Dungeness and Romney Marsh, which is of national importance for black-headed gull and cormorant, and Dover to Kingsdown Cliffs, an important site for fulmar and kittiwake.

Although the populations of some seabirds are increasing, the kittiwake is faring less well, with numbers declining by 36 per cent since

the start of the millennium. UK populations of the shag – down 25 per cent – and lesser black-backed gull – down 41 per cent – have also sparked concern.

This is one of the main reasons environmentalists say further legislation to designate protected sites which are the home to wildlife.

Dr Sharon Thompson is a senior marine policy officer with the RSPB. She said: "The creation of a Marine and Coastal Access Act is a watershed for marine conservation."

"But, for the Act to be meaningful and help safeguard vulnerable marine species, from corals to whales, the Government must use these new powers to designate sites, otherwise the legislation will be as toothless as a sea squirt."

The Marine and Coastal Access Act is the culmination of a decade of campaigning by the RSPB and other members of Wildlife and Countryside Link, especially WWF, the Wildlife Trusts and the Marine Conservation Society.

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Hooded intruder terror

A DYMCHURCH man was left terrified when an intruder forced his way into his house.

The man, who is in his 60s, opened the door at 9.20pm on Monday, October 19, when he heard noises.

One of a group of men outside spoke to the householder, but the resident became suspicious and tried to close his door. The man pushed past him and entered the house.

Another man also attempted to get past, but the householder managed to stop him.

A friend of the resident who was in the house at the time found the intruder in the lounge and when he saw her he left.

Both men are in their 20s. One is of broad build, 5ft 10in tall and was wearing a grey hooded top and a scarf. The other is of slim build, 5ft 6in tall and also wore a hooded top.

Witnesses reported seeing three men acting suspiciously in the Redoubt Road area.

Anyone with information is urged to phone Det Con James Heath on 01303 850055.

Alternatively, you can call Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

North ward by-election

A NEW representative for Deal Town Council's north ward will be chosen when voters go to the polls on Thursday, December 3.

The election could see the balance of power on the authority change after years of Labour domination.

At present, the Tories have four seats, the Liberal Democrats three and Labour has seven, with its representation headed by mayor Bill Gardner.

Depending on the result, a LibDem/Conservative alliance could challenge Labour's overall control.

Former teacher Eleanor Inch is standing for Labour, while Nathan Sewell is the LibDem candidate and Carol Stickler will represent the Conservatives.

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CABLES GOING UNDERGROUND

Unsightly power lines that spoil the view near St Margaret's-at-Cliffe are to be taken down and moved underground by energy company EDF.

The £380,000 project will involve 1.5 miles of high-voltage cables taken away from the nearby Frontline Britain Trail, which is popular with ramblers, to reduce the impact on the landscape. The power lines cross footpaths and farmland either side of Free Down, between The Droveaway and Seymour Road, in the Hog's Bush area.

Specialist machinery is being used by engineers to install underground cables and once they are ready the overhead electricity network can be switched off and removed, including 27 poles, conductors, three transformers and switches. The work has been made possible through a special allowance from industry regulator Ofgem as a part of a long-term project to enhance some of our most beautiful stretches of countryside.

Creative quartet are recycling champions

■ BY NICK AMES

DOVER has four new 'upcycling' champions who have created something new from something old and redundant.

They are all district residents who submitted ideas for so-called upcycled products in response to a call from Remade In Dover, an arts project run by Dover Arts Development and Dover Pride and funded by the county council.

The four were picked by an expert panel made up of academics, artists and designers as well as members of the community.

Having been given the task of selecting suitable products to be developed for sale in a shop run by the project, panel members found themselves overwhelmed by talent and energy.

So they chose to award each of the four with a special title and request that they all continue to work with the project.

Kev Cook, from Sandwich, came with a story of a Fiat Panda that had been written off. The



IN THE KITCHEN: James Anderson's utensil-holder

front seats were saved and then attached to the discarded stand and wheels of an old office chair and the 'car chair' was born – a functional, comfy and fun piece of fully-reclining home-office furniture.

Kerry Brock, from Dover, brought a selection of products, from badges made from old maga-

zines to stencilled fabric pictures and original artwork on offcuts of wood.

James Anderson, from Guston, produced a prototype kitchen utensil-holder crafted from an old heating element and curled cutlery, inspired by his job as a chef.

Sam Bole submitted a wind-chime made from old spanners which makes a beautiful and unexpected sound, inspired by rummaging shoppers at Stuff, and a bracelet made from old nuts and bolts.

Sam was so full of ideas that the panel named her the upcycling catalyst. Remade In Dover has invited Sam to create a range of pieces for exhibition at the shop.

Panel member Dr Seymour Roworth-Stokes said: "It was fantastic to see such inventive and yet practical solutions to one of society's most challenging problems – how to take discarded objects which would end up in landfill and make them into something meaningful and purposeful again."

"We saw some truly inspirational people who have taken the concept of upcycling to their hearts. They are a credit to Dover's creativity and spirit of enterprise."

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Pioneering hero Tull subject of new biography

■ BY NICK AMES

THE biography of pioneering footballer and war hero Walter Tull has just been published.

The life of the first black officer in the British Army and the first black professional outfield footballer is commemorated in *Walter Tull 1888-1918 Officer Footballer: All the Guns in France Couldn't Wake Me*, by Phil Vassili.

As well as leading troops into battle, Tull played ten games for Spurs and has become a revered figure in recent years. Historians, football supporters, race-relations activists and the Army have all recognised his achievements.

But for many years Tull was forgotten, until researchers who found his name on the Dover war memorial uncovered his astonishing story.

Mr Vassili said: "I came upon the story as part of the research I was doing into the history of black footballers in Britain.

"I was struck by his incredible achievement and the traumas and obstacles he faced."

Walter Tull was born in Folkestone, one of six children, but also lived in Dover for a time.

His talent as a footballer overcame the barriers of race in sport and he did the same in the even more regimented world of the military.

Walter was the grandson of Anna and William Tull, born as slaves in Barbados, and his father, Daniel, sailed to England in 1876.

Daniel settled in Folkestone and worked as a carpenter, marrying local woman Alice Palmer.

A good footballer from a young age, Tull played locally before attracting the attention of scouts and signing for Tottenham Hotspur and later Northampton Town.

In 1914, he enlisted with 17th Battalion of the Middlesex Regiment as Britain went to war against the Germany. Two years later he was promoted to sergeant. In December 1916, he returned to Kent suffering from trench fever. Once he had recovered, he was sent to the officer-training school at Gales, Scotland, and became the first black Army officer.

Lieutenant Tull was commissioned and sent to the Italian front in May 1917. He led his



COMMON GOAL: Walter Tull with his Army comrades

men in the Battle of Piave and was mentioned in dispatches for his "gallantry and coolness under fire".

In 1918, he was transferred to France and was killed in the last battle of the Somme, with his men braving enemy fire in an unsuccessful attempt to recover his body. Tull is also commemorated on the Arras Memorial in France.

He achieved officer rank in spite of an edict in the Manual of Military Law which stated that black people could not exercise "actual command" of British troops.

He was leading his men into No Man's Land when he was cut down at the age of 29. He is reported to have died instantly as a shot hit him in the head on March 25, 1918. The unit's commanding officer broke the news of his death in a letter to Tull's brother Edward.

He said how "popular he was throughout the battalion. He was brave and conscientious... the battalion and company have lost a faithful officer and personally I have lost a friend".

Tull was posthumously awarded the British War and Victory Medal. He was also recommended for the Military Cross but never received it. In 2008 a Commons motion called for the award to be given posthumously.

• The book is published by Raw Press and costs £18 (£9 paperback).



Hospice care extended to the home

THE Pilgrims Hospice has started a new service in Dover for the terminally ill.

Rapid Response Hospice At Home will provide nursing support to people with terminal illness who want support while living in their own home.

It is available to those who are already part of the hospice scheme. Nikki Le Prevost, associate director at Pilgrims Hospices, said: "Experience has taught us that many people would prefer to spend their last days in their own homes.

"Our new service will mean Pilgrims health-care assistants can offer care and support to patients and their families on the same day it is requested and for up to 72 hours.

"This service is new to the area and we plan to work with other community care-providers to give the best support to local people. We are grateful to NHS Eastern and Coastal Kent for their support and funding and plan to extend the service across east Kent by the end of 2010."

NEWS IN BRIEF

Yob aims at mum and tot

A YOUNG mother and her baby narrowly avoided injury while walking through Folkestone when pellets from an airgun whizzed past them.

The mother was walking her child along Foord Road on Sunday, October 18, when she felt small objects skimming past her.

It is thought that these were BB pellets fired from the garden of a house in nearby Darby Road.

Police are warning BB gun-users that they must not be fired in any way that could cause damage to property or injury to other people.

It is an offence to carry an imitation firearm in a public place, whether or not it is capable of discharging a shot.

Carrying an air-weapon in public, loaded or not, is also an offence.

The maximum penalty is six months in jail. Anyone with information is asked to phone police on 01303 850055.

Feat of clay at new studio

A SPECIALIST ceramics studio has opened in Folkestone, complete with kilns and pottery wheels.

Cube Ceramics in Tontine Street was unveiled by Mike Hill, the county council's cabinet member for communities.

The latest addition to the Creative Quarter is equipped with all the tools to teach pottery, ceramics and sculpture and the county council can now offer more courses in each discipline.

The centre also offers away days for businesses. Visit www.kent.gov.uk/adulted, or phone 0845 606 5606, to find out more.

Tories retain coastal seat

TORY Shane Lawrence has won the New Romney Coast by-election with a majority of more than 100.

He took 452 votes, followed by Liberal Democrat Brian Wright (333) and Wendy Nevard of Ukip (94).

There were 10 spoiled papers and a turnout of 30.65 per cent. The poll was triggered by Tory Sue Ashworth stepping down due to ill-health. Cllr Lawrence will now join Lib Dem Val Loseby in representing New Romney. The composition of Shepway council is now 37 Conservatives, six Lib Dems, two People First and one Independent.

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Will the French ever pay for Stack upset?

■ BY MARIJKE COX

PEOPLE and businesses that lose money because of Operation Stack could have a case for compensation against the French government.

That's the view of Kent County Council leader Paul Carter, who told delegates – including ministers and industry insiders – at a meeting on Tuesday last week that legal advice had been sought over the impact of French strikes on Kent and its economy.

The meeting at the House of Lords was part of a traffic campaign started by KCC to deal with problems on the county's roads.

During Stack the M20 is turned into a giant lorry park, causing hold-ups and traffic chaos in the area, with huge financial losses for business. Stack is mainly implemented due to French industrial action that blocks the ports, stopping lorries using cross-Channel ferries.

Blockading

Cllr Carter said: "The misery caused to tens of thousands of people affected by the strikes and the impact on businesses and travel plans should not be underestimated. The closure of Calais harms our economy."

It is estimated by the Federation of Small Businesses that blockades at Calais and the subsequent stoppage of crossings cost the UK haulage industry £1 million a day.

And with delays on deliveries and traffic problems caused by Operation Stack, a further £500,000 is lost daily.

Cllr Carter said the French authorities could be in breach of EU rules governing the free movement of people and goods when they failed to take action against illegal strikers



STACKED UP: Operation Stack turns the M20 into a huge car-park and has had an adverse effect on the Kent economy

blockading French ports. This might mean businesses and residents affected by strikes could receive compensation for losses.

Cllr Carter said: "With the French authorities failing to take action against illegal strike action in Calais, they are in breach of Article 28 of the European Commission Treaty. This means they could be liable for damages caused to people who are affected by the blockades."

"I have written to Lord Mandelson about it. Our government needs to take this matter to the French government. It's up to the Government to sort this problem out."

Business Secretary Lord Mandelson has agreed to pursue the issue. Cllr Carter also called for a long-term answer to Stack.

"It is essential to find a solution, but we need to find the means to fund it," he said.

"Charges should be imposed on foreign lorry-drivers using UK roads, which would pay for infrastructure and a long-term plan to deal with Operation Stack. Thousands could be raised through this."

"Foreign lorry-drivers already have an advantage over UK hauliers by filling up with

cheaper fuel before coming to Britain."

As part of KCC's traffic campaign, a formal complaint has been made to the European Commission to highlight the effect of strike action on the county.

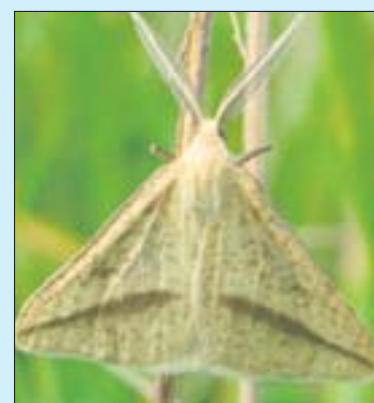
Further concerns were raised about the planned expansion of Calais port.

In 2007, about four million lorries passed through Kent via the Port of Dover and this figure is expected to rise by two-thirds over the next 30 years. This could mean even more HGVs parked on the M20 in the event of strikes.

However, Paul Watkins, leader of Dover District Council, said his authority was backing the Calais port plans.

"It is crucial for the economy of the UK and Europe that both the ports are able to gear up to accommodate future growth," he said. "In the face of an ever-expanding inter-national market, if one is to grow, the other needs to keep pace if balance is to be maintained."

KCC is also pushing for a third Thames crossing to improve connections with the rest of the UK and greater use of Manston airport.



FIND: The straw belle moth is an endangered species

Rare moth the belle of the fall

A RARE moth has been discovered at a new site in the county.

The straw belle is already on the endangered list, so the discovery made at the National Trust site of Wrotham Water Farm is of global importance.

The farm, near Trottscliffe, has also been revealed as the home of other rare species, according to a new report.

Inspections by the Butterfly Conservation Trust revealed the presence of several species of scarce orchids, bumble-bees and butterflies.

The straw belle has been designated a priority species for conservation, meaning extra care must be taken in preserving its habitat to ensure its continued survival.

The area was used to grow wheat and barley, but in 1990 the fields of Wrotham Water Farm were 'returned to nature'.

Under the guidance of Natural England's Countryside Stewardship Scheme, the National Trust was able to restore the chalk grassland by planting a rare grass-seed mix and introducing a grazing regime to help the moth and other threatened wildlife thrive.

County Hall £200m budget shortfall to lead to 600-700 job losses

HUNDREDS of jobs will be lost over the next three years as Kent County Council struggles against a predicted £200 million funding shortfall.

Finance chiefs at County Hall are readying themselves for drastic reductions in the amount of money they receive from the Government, regardless of who wins the next general election.

About £42m of savings have already been identified from next year's budget, but a further £10m still needs to be cut – and between 600-700 posts will be axed.

KCC employs more than 40,000 staff.

However, the authority says it is confident the shortfall will not affect frontline services and the majority of jobs lost will be through natural wastage and non-replacement of staff who leave.

Any council-tax increases should also be kept to a minimum and will most likely be below last year's rise of 2.4 per cent.

John Simmonds, cabinet member for finance, said: "What's important is we haven't been idle and we've already saved £110m over the last three years because we always knew the gravy train was going to halt."

"It would have been foolish not to plan ahead

and we would be a terribly irresponsible authority if we said we will worry about it next year."

"The headline news looks alarming, but life isn't going to grind to a halt. By having foresight we can minimise the effects and although it looks frightening on the face of it, we have the time to look at alternative ways of doing things."

KCC officers have been instructed to come up with cost-cutting proposals over the next few weeks, including a review of frontline services to see how funds can be spent more efficiently.

This is likely to result in a major staff reorganisation and a possible sharing of office

accommodation with other public-sector partners such as the NHS.

Cllr Simmonds said existing initiatives were already saving the authority cash; these included a permit scheme prohibiting utilities companies from digging up and subsequently damaging roads without a licence.

He said: "The review of the frontline services is not for us to see what we can get rid of, but rather what we can use more efficiently."

KCC has an annual budget of £1.5 billion, but economists predict a 40 per cent cut in Government support over the next three years.

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QUESTION & ANSWER

HAYDN BILLSON



Q Why did you decide to set up a coffee shop in Dover?

A Running our own coffee shop had been a personal ambition for some time, based on a solid working background of both catering and customer service. In mid-2006 we were lucky enough to find a premises in our home town of Dover and in May 2007 La Salle Verte was born.

Q Had you run a coffee shop before?

A We had never owned a business before and spent the early days finding our feet. Developing a great relationship with many of our customers has helped the business to grow and mature into the coffee house we always wanted it to be.

Q Why did you decide to call it La Salle Verte?

A The premises was previously called The Green Room, which really suited the premises. Not wanting to move far away from this, we decided to translate the name into French, keeping the originality but also helping to welcome tourists, too.

Q You've won a number of awards. Can you tell me a little bit about these?

A We have received four awards so far: best small business, best local coffee shop and two for exceptional customer service. We are

also one of only two eating places in Dover recommended by The Lonely Planet Guide.

Our previous employers were great believers in achieving awards, and training was an issue never to be underestimated.

We carried these ideals forward into our own business and are extremely proud of our staff. They have received Level 3 NVQ in customer service, fire safety training, health and hygiene awards and, most recently, deaf awareness training awards.

Q What can your customers expect when they come to La Salle Verte?

A An enjoyable experience! The surroundings are comfortable and there is a wide selection of food, drinks and coffees. We have spent the last few years developing our whole team as well as liaising with our customers, so we have created a very sociable environment with high standards.

Q Can you tell me a little bit about your music nights and how successful they have been?

A The music nights have been a terrific success and we are delighted to be able to offer music nights featuring local musicians on the last Friday of each month.

We also have a Christmas party evening for the first time this year on Friday, December 11, starring the well-known Rat Pack trio, Three To Swing. Tickets are available in advance from the shop and all our music nights include a two-course meal with wine.

Details of upcoming events can be found on our website, www.lasalleverte.co.uk.

Rhythm-and-blues performer Roger Betts will be there on Friday, November 27. Tickets are £9.50 or £17.50, including a meal and glass of wine.

Q What's the best thing about running La Salle Verte?

A Seeing our dream become reality. It is such a sociable place to be and a pleasure to go to work in the morning – it's not often you can say that.

Q What are the biggest challenges for a business like La Salle Verte?

A There are the obvious challenges that all small businesses face, but with local support these problems can hopefully be kept to a minimum.

Our biggest challenge really is continually striving to achieve a standard that we and our customers expect of us. We really do take the business personally.

Q How would you describe La Salle Verte coffee shop in three words?

A Dover's favourite place.

Information about La Salle Verte can be found by visiting www.lasalleverte.co.uk, by phoning 01304 201547, or by emailing lasalleverte@aol.com. Or, of course, you can pop into the shop, in Cannon Street, Dover.

Q&A

The coffee-house owner talks to reporter **Marijke Cox** about how he got his award-winning business started, what makes it so successful and his plans for showcasing local musicians at music nights

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Abandoned kitten finds new home, thanks to PC

A KITTEN thrown over a fence has been saved by a neighbourhood policeman and given a new home just hours later.

PC Trevor Moody was called by a farmer in Rhodes Minnis who said one of the campers using his field had just seen a car pull up and a man throw the pet over before driving off. PC Moody nicknamed the kitten Lucky and started looking for a new home for it. A family in Hawkinge stepped forward and PC Moody took Lucky to meet his new owners.

PC Trevor Moody is the neighbourhood officer for Elham and Stelling Minnis and can be contacted on 07980 770583.



Thousands into darkness

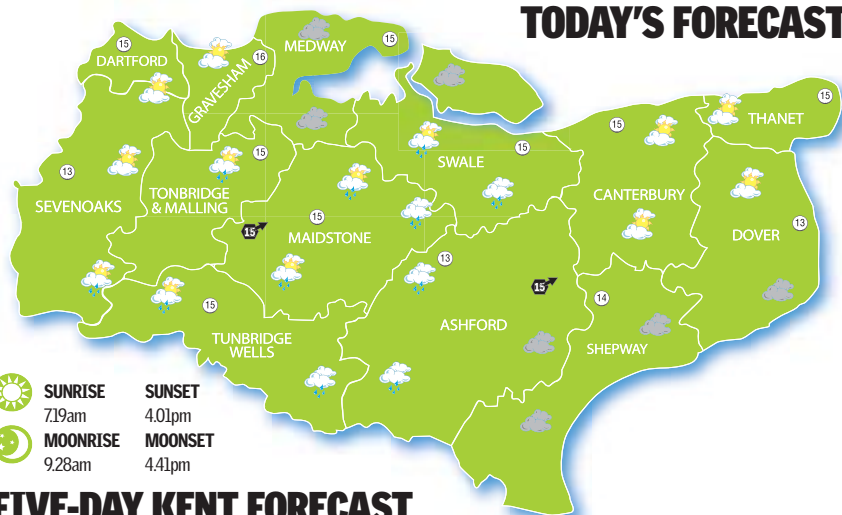
AN ELECTRICITY blackout saw some 2,000 households near the centre of Folkestone plunged into darkness and without power for about two hours on Friday last week.

The cut was due to a fault on the electricity distribution network, according to a spokesman for energy company EDF, and the cause is still being investigated.

Engineers restored the supply in stages after it was first reported at 3.48pm and power was restored to all but one household by Saturday morning.

The spokesman said the company apologised for any inconvenience caused.

TODAY'S FORECAST



SUNRISE 7:19am
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MOONSET 4:41pm

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| | Sunday | 3:55pm | 5.4m |
| Dover | Saturday | 1:28pm | 6.0m |
| | Sunday | 2:07pm | 5.8m |
| Dungeness | Saturday | 1:26pm | 7.0m |
| | Sunday | 2:03pm | 6.7m |
| Ramsgate | Saturday | 1:58pm | 4.6m |
| | Sunday | 2:37pm | 4.4m |
| Sheerness | Saturday | 3:06pm | 5.4m |
| | Sunday | 3:45pm | 5.2m |
| Whitstable | Saturday | 3:15pm | 4.9m |
| | Sunday | 3:52pm | 4.8m |

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Charity calls for adopters to think about benefits of taking on siblings



BROTHERLY LOVE: There is a desperate need for loving, adoptive parents who can keep keep brothers and sisters together

■ BY MARIJKE COX

A LEADING children's charity is urging people in Kent to consider adopting siblings as the number of youngsters in care soars to more than 60,000 nationwide.

Adoption experts at Action for Children said too many vulnerable brothers and sisters are being split up in the county as adopters opt to take just one child.

Carol Buckley, service manager at the charity's south east project, said there is now more than ever a desperate need to find loving homes and for vulnerable siblings to stay together.

Her message comes as National Adoption Week draws to a close and the nationwide figure of children in care reaches 60,900.

About 4,000 of those are waiting to be adopted. Ms Buckley said: "With such a high number of children entering care, the need for adopters is at an all-time high."

"To many, the idea of adopting more than one child can feel overwhelming."

"However, from our own work we know that with the right support, families adopting siblings can flourish. When siblings enter care together and all other family ties have been broken, it's so important that, where possible, we keep them together."

"To do this we desperately need adopters to consider if they think they could take on more than one child."

A lesbian couple who decided to take on two young brothers said it was the best thing they ever did and urged others to consider it.

Important

Ali and Kate, from Erith, who are both experienced teachers, adopted the boys, now nine and 11, six years ago.

Ali said: "Kate already had children from a previous marriage, but I really felt the need to have children of my own."

"The whole adoption process is long and quite intrusive, but I wouldn't want that to put anyone off."

"We came up against some barriers due to the fact we're a gay couple, which came as quite a shock, but in the end we took on two boys and they settled really quickly. It's been an amazing journey for all of us."

Ali said keeping the boys together was very important: "We found out they were originally going to be split up so they would be adopted immediately," she said. "It was so much better for them to stay

ADOPTION IN KENT

- On average 100 children are adopted in Kent each year.
- In 2008, KCC placed 90 per cent of children with a plan for adoption within 12 months of the placement order being given by the court.
- In Kent, 1,350 children who have been adopted since 1992, a third of these receive an ongoing service from KCC's adoption support and special guardianship team.
- There are more than 800 contact arrangements with birth parents and their children who have been placed for adoption. KCC promotes working in partnership with birth parents and new adoptive families to encourage contact.
- On average, 60 new adopters are assessed and approved each year. Assessment takes eight months and is extremely rigorous. Prospective adopters need to have demonstrated they have dealt with their own life issues before they can be considered.

together. One of the boys was slightly chaotic when he came to us and splitting them up would have made it worse.

"They still have memories of their mother which they talk about and they really need that."

Heart FM DJ Toby Anstis, can relate to Ali's story having been adopted with his twin sister as a child.

"I can't imagine life without my sister Kate," he said.

Difference

"We've had such a close bond since birth. Fortunately we were kept together when we were adopted. It's a special bond and understanding that has helped us come to terms with being adopted. It's so important that siblings are kept together."

Cllr Sarah Hohler, Kent County Council's cabinet member for children, families and education, said the team at KCC are on hand to talk people through the process of adoption.

"It is difficult to put into words the difference adoptive parents can make to the lives of children and young people," she said. "Similarly, those who adopt find having a family to be an enriching experience."

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UNDERSTANDING: Toby Anstis was adopted with his twin sister

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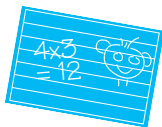
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James Hayes, 13, of Astor Avenue, put his faith in hairdressing lecturer Carol Beer when he decided it was finally time to cut the hair, which reached halfway down his back.

His mother Jenny, who studied hairdressing at the Dover campus, explained they never meant for the hair to grow so long. James said: "I've had it for 13 years – it's going to feel strange without it."

The family, who are all keen Liverpool FC fans, decided that his haircut was a good opportunity to raise funds for the Marina Dalglish Appeal, which was set up after footballer Kenny Dalglish's wife was treated for breast cancer.

Try before you buy as toy store opens

CHERTON-based playcentre Kidz-planet has launched a new toy shop.

Toytastik opened earlier this month at the centre in Caesars Way.

Early best-sellers include a remote-control wall-climbing car, a two-wheel skateboard and cuddly meerkat dolls.

Owner Nigel Tyler said: "Adults and children like to see and feel the goods they would like to purchase and we allow you to examine before you buy – something you can't do online."

Santa will be visiting the playcentre on Friday, December 4. You can book a slot by phoning 01303 277773.

Breakfast meeting aims to open doors for students

■ BY JAMES ALEXANDRE

A BIG Breakfast with business leaders was held at South Kent College to discuss how firms could open up new career opportunities for students.

The special briefing at the refectory on the Ashford campus earlier this month was hosted by principal Monica Box, who told the audience they were not going to be receiving a 'hard sell' of what SKC could do for them.

The college enrolls more than 10,000 students every year and also has campuses in Shorncliffe Road, Folkestone, and Maison Dieu Road, Dover.

Instead, Ms Box explained how she came to have enjoyed a long and successful career in education after growing up in a mining village in north Wales.

She said: "There were 3,500 jobs in the mines – for men. Only four women worked in the wages office."

"So, of course, when I was thinking about what job I would like to do when I left school, it was at my school where I could see men and women working that gave me inspiration. And guess what career I chose? Teaching."

She said she felt strongly that all South Kent College students should have the chance of pursuing potential careers and it was vital that businesses were involved to open up as many opportunities as possible to those who studied there.

She said: "We need to build these links to enable our learners to have the confidence to



TUCKING IN: Business leaders enjoyed their breakfast at the careers opportunities briefing at South Kent College

have a go, to try out careers and to get their first foot on the road to employment and successful careers."

Nikki Paine, learning manager for health and social care, and Zeph Norrish, director of quality and curriculum technology and business, also gave presentations about the new diplomas.

They explained how this new qualification met the needs of employers who wanted em-

ployees with enhanced skills for the workplace.

Chamber of Commerce members who were at the meeting said they enjoyed the chance to meet the staff, who are training their next generation of employees, during an excellent cooked breakfast.

David Cowell-Homewood, South Kent College director for 14-19 learners, said it was obvious that relationships between the college and businesses were flourishing.

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Jo Nicoll argues that proposals for a superstore in Hythe will change the town forever – and not for the better



The plan that must be rejected

HYTHE is special. It is also a rarity: a real and functioning town in the face of retail standardisation.

I'm lucky I live somewhere that still has an independent butcher, baker, fishmonger, green-grocer and chemist, but such diversity will be gone forever if the Sainsbury's superstore planned for Military Road goes ahead.

While edge-of-town superstores appear to offer convenience and cheaper goods, they cost retail vitality, variety and viability as businesses close. In short, consumer choice is reduced.

Every resident has their own reasons for living in Hythe but, whatever these are, be sure that 'your Hythe' would be changed irreversibly by Sainsbury's superstore.

Let us consider the cost of this 'convenience'.

In addition to groceries, the proposed store would sell clothing, books and electrical and chemists' goods, further undermining high-street stores.

A survey for Sainsbury's on the impact of individual retailers claimed an "unlikely overlap", but this report is selective and fails to mention the full range of goods offered by Hythe traders.

Just ask yourself this question: "Why is Hythe high street so different from its neighbours?"

Answer: "No superstore."

Studies show that 50 per cent of turnover at local retailers is returned to the local economy. However, large retailers may return as little as 5 per cent to the local economy.

We have been led to believe that the proposed

superstore would be no larger than the existing Smiths Medical building.

In fact, it would mirror the huge Tesco superstore at Cheriton.

The existing Smiths Medical building is away from the pavement and softened by a row of established trees. The Sainsbury's development would stretch to the pavement, with trees removed.

English Heritage – which ought to know – has objected strongly to the proposals, stating that the superstore would be over-dominant, intrusive and threaten listed buildings.

A store of this size is disproportionate to the needs of a small town like Hythe and will have a drastic impact on the area.

It is estimated that 15 articulated delivery lorries per day would be required to service the store, which is close to housing and particularly the 200-year-old listed Military Terrace cottages.

Does anyone agree that it is acceptable to have HGVs carrying out deliveries alongside these residential properties between 7am and 10pm?

Sainsbury's says it might fund secondary glazing for some cottages at Military Terrace, but who thinks this will make living in the cottages more bearable? And what about visual amenity?

A traffic survey for Sainsbury's was carried out in February, when the town has its fewest visitors.

Let's have this again in summer, when every parking space in Military Road is taken!

Sainsbury's architects have also disregarded Hythe's architecture. The new building would be a

vast flat-roof monolith of glass, metal and terracotta cladding – unsympathetic and out of keeping.

Sainsbury's has tried to sweeten the pill by saying 300 full- and part-time jobs would be created, but National Retail Planning Forum findings show that any new superstore is likely to cost more than 200 jobs at existing retailers within 15 kilometres once it opens.

That could be spun as a 33.3 per cent jobs gain, but what about the heartache caused to those who lose their jobs in the high-street shops we all love and would miss?

In another local paper, Sezen Zeki from the Channel Chamber of Commerce made reference to the job losses incurred as a result of Smiths Medical moving from the Military Road site.

However, Smiths Medical has confirmed that virtually everyone who worked at Hythe agreed to transfer to the Ashford site and the company's facility at Reachfields has actually expanded.

The Sainsbury's application is expected to go before Shepway council's development control committee on November 24 or December 15, and the Care About Hythe Group urges people who love the town to write letters of objection to the council's planning department and councillors on that committee.

These people have the future of our historic town and its residents in their hands.

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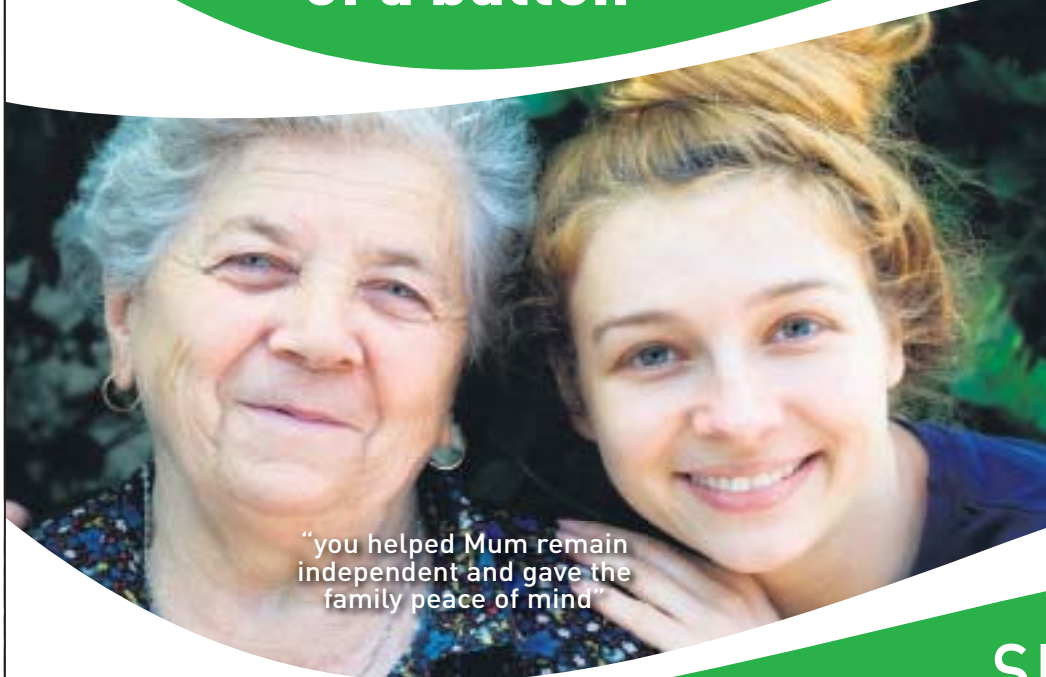
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TALK TIME

RICHARD CARROLL

The former Hythe town councillor and Salvation Army bandmaster talked to us about touring the world, local politics and what he has for breakfast



Tell us a little about yourself

I'm 68 and spent most of my working life with Royal Mail. I still work part-time as a cover supervisor at the Folkestone School For Girls and as senior invigilator at Pent Valley Technology College. Family life is of vital importance to my wife Anne and I, and we spend lots of time together, especially with our seven grandchildren.

What is your role in the Salvation Army?

I am the bandmaster (volunteer) and have been so for 33 years. I am also a member of the Pastoral Council and the Church Council. I teach children to play brass instruments. If the youngsters attend our Kidzone Sunday Club, then the tuition is free.

You resigned as a town councillor after 12 years in office over the Imperial Hotel plans - what were your objections?

A few years ago, the LibDems gained control. The Conservatives were mad when the LibDem councillors who were elected for Hythe and Shepway were not supporting Hythe Town Council decisions at Shepway.

At the Shepway meeting about the hotel, the Deputy Mayor of Hythe spoke against a democratically-voted resolution by Hythe Town Council. That is hypocritical and I do not want to be part of that.

Tell us something that not many people know about you

It is alleged that I like orange juice on my corn flakes.

YOUR LETTERS

Dirty campaign belongs in gutter

PEOPLE in glass houses should not throw stones. Former county councillor Mike Eddy's monstrous attack (last week's letters) on Charlie Elphicke is most unwise.

To attack Charlie for being a well-off sort of chap only reminds people that he is honest and won't join in the taking of our money and food.

And ex-county councillor Eddy is also wrong to make the London slur on Charlie.

He only reminds people that Charlie is English and overlooks the fact that 100 years ago there were Elphicks in Gifford Road, Deal, and Cambridge Terrace, Dover.

So, ex-county councillor Eddy, have a dirty campaign if you want. Enjoy the gutter now you have lost your trough. You can advise Mr Prosser when he loses his next year.

Peter Jull
Chairman (Deal branch), Dover and Deal
Conservative Association

• **READING** Mike Eddy's nasty letter about Charlie Elphicke, you can see why he came bottom of the poll in county council elections.

Charlie Elphicke and the Conservatives have set out bold plans for Deal.

It shows how the Labour Party has lost the plot, that its only response is to hark back to the past and to make personal attacks on Charlie.

Labour has done nothing for us



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and has nothing positive to say to the people of our community.

Charlie Elphicke looks to the future. To my mind, the choice is now clear - there is no contest.

I left the Labour Party and resigned as a Deal town

councillor due to Labour's conduct on Deal Town Council as highlighted in the audit report.

With regard to Cllr Eddy, he needs to make constructive suggestions regarding Deal's future instead of criticising those

who have constructive ideas.

His letters smack of dirty politics rather than working with all political groups to improve lives of the people of Deal.

Tracy Wilton
Deal

• **MIKE** Eddy is wrong to try to mislead the community and go round saying things about people.

I asked Charlie Elphicke about his housing arrangements. He has a home near Victoria train station in London - like so many other MPs - and a home in Deal.

He tells me he paid for them out of his own money, so it's not true to say that he lives in Knightsbridge.

We are not as stupid as Cllr Eddy thinks, and class war does not sit well with our community.

We all see Charlie go about the place and work tirelessly for us.

We listen to his positive plans and ideas. We know Charlie is in touch and that he answers letters quickly. Charlie obviously cares - and surely that's what matters?

He'll be a fantastic Member of Parliament for us. Far better than the current Labour MP, who has spent the last 10 years achieving absolutely nothing.

Cllr Wayne Elliott (Conservative)
Deal Town Council

We're not all fooled by climate change

RAY Duff is the latest to have a go at me and my opinions and is up to his old tricks of launching derogatory personal attacks on those with whom he disagrees (last week's letters).

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something held to be in error, Mr Duff.

That 'fact' that "97 per cent of the world's climate scientists, across many disciplines, have shown that climate change is happening and is our fault" is a misrepresentation to the point of being a whopping great lie, perpetrated by those with a political agenda.

Previous supporters of the man-made climate-change hypothesis have changed their minds, largely because of new research.

Most climate-change orthodoxy comes from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. It is essentially a political, not scientific, body.

Its brief was to take man-made climate change as a given, assess its likely impact and advise what should be done about it.

As the 1990s neared their end, however, although atmospheric CO₂ levels still rose steadily, it became obvious that Earth's temperatures were no longer following suit.

As for my "me now" ways, a description I dispute, I will continue.

I am, however, part of a growing, not dwindling, number who object to being hoodwinked and then derided.

I am not a scientist – neither is Mr Duff, I'm sure. We both rely on the published opinions of others.

I have taken an interest in the subject for a number of years and reached my personal conclusions after considerable deliberation.

I reply to Mr Duff with a quote from Professor Richard Lindzen, leading world atmospheric physicist: "Future generations will wonder in bemused amazement that the early 21st-century's developed world went into hysterical panic over a globally-averaged temperature of a few tenths of a degree and, on the basis of gross exaggerations of highly uncertain computer projections combined into implausible chains of inference, proceeded to contemplate a roll-back of the industrial age."

It is appropriate that someone just last week took their climate-change beliefs to court, claiming protection on the ground that it was the equivalent of religious belief.

That is what some 'green' activism has come to – a 'religious belief'.

How did so many people get led into acceptance and panic?

Well, it's not the first time: in the 20th century they were misled by communism, Maoism and fascism.

But do we always have to get fooled again?

Ian Taylor

Association of British Drivers

Memorial ceremony proud day for cadets

IT gives me great pleasure to write and compliment the general public for the enormous praise that we have received at Dover Sea Cadets.

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The cadets from the Army Cadet Force and the Air Cadet Force did their duties impeccably.

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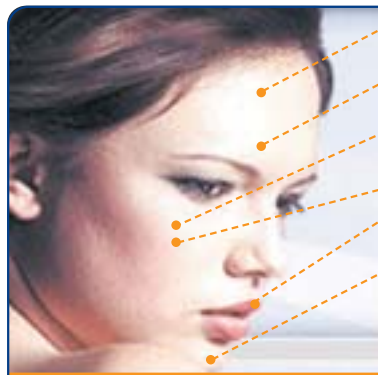
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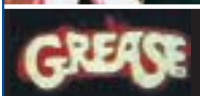
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audience and had a Europe-wide listenership of 20 million on the night of August 14, 1967, when Radio Caroline continued to broadcast even though Government legislation had taken all other pirate stations off the airwaves.

A move to BBC Radio 1 followed in 1969 and over the next seven years Walker compounded his reputation as a DJ who valued the records he played far more than the sound of his own voice. His lunchtime show was a launch-pad for new artists such as Steve Harley, Lou Reed, Fleetwood Mac, The Eagles and Steely Dan, but Walker spoke frankly about those acts of which he was not a fan. Describing the Bay City Rollers as "musical garbage" was one incident which, along with his determination to play album tracks as well as chart hits, led to conflict with his employers.

In 1976 he moved to San Francisco and continued as a radio DJ by recording a weekly show which was broadcast on Radio Luxembourg.

He returned to Britain in the early 80s and, after stints on local radio, rejoined Radio 1 to present The Stereo Sequence before moving to Radio 2 to take over the Drivetime slot. With more than 30 years of musical knowledge under his belt, it became an enormously popular show for listeners with discerning taste.

Walker was forced to take time off in 2003 while he battled cancer but returned to host the Drivetime show until 2006.

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TWO colleagues get into step for an extraordinary working day in Flhip Flhop - Everything Happens On The Break.

Rannel Theatre Company's exhilarating show sees two friends bidding to escape the monotony of daily life by taking a different look at their surroundings.

Competing to entertain each other, curiosity and one-upmanship spur them on in this show, which blends elements of hip-hop with physical theatre.

Found objects and intricate choreography are used to create an energetic and spontaneous comedy, with highly entertaining results.

Rannel Theatre Company was formed by Joey D and Matt Bailey, both of whom have a background in dance and performance. Bailey has performed in off-Broadway plays and his work as a DJ has taken him across the UK, Europe and America.



FLHIP FLHOP - EVERYTHING HAPPENS ON THE BREAK

Thursday, November 19, Theatre Royal Margate



Only in his early 20s, Joey D has already been representing b-boy culture for 10 years and is known for his originality and aggressiveness in dance battles. He takes part in competitions

and also teaches and leads workshops.

The show starts at 7.30pm and tickets cost £10/£8. Book online at www.quarterhouse.co.uk, or phone the box office on 01303 858500.



STEP into the magical world of The Nutcracker when the Vienna Festival Ballet returns to Folkestone.

One of the most popular ballets in the classical repertoire, The Nutcracker tells the captivating story of a young girl who is whisked away to an incredible world by an enchanted doll.

Kent dancer Melanie Cox joined Vienna Festival Ballet in 2007 and was chosen to dance the principal role of

THE NUTCRACKER

Tuesday, November 24
Leas Cliff Hall, Folkestone

Sugar Plum Fairy that year. Since then she has performed solo roles in Sleeping Beauty, Swan Lake and Coppelia and also the principal role in Sleeping Beauty.

Founded almost 30 years ago by Austrian dancer Peter Mallek, Vienna Festival Ballet presents a classi-

cal ballet repertoire performed by young, dynamic dancers. Mallek joined the corps de ballet of the Vienna State Opera at the age of 14 and went on to dance with all the world's major companies before founding VFB.

The performance starts at 7pm and tickets are priced from £10.50 to £21.50 or £8.50 for dance schools.

To book, phone 0844 847 1776 or visit www.leascliffhall.org.uk.

A REALIST EXHIBITION

Tuesday, November 24
Winter Gardens, Margate

NEW work by two Folkestone Creative Quarter artists can be seen in a realist exhibition this week.

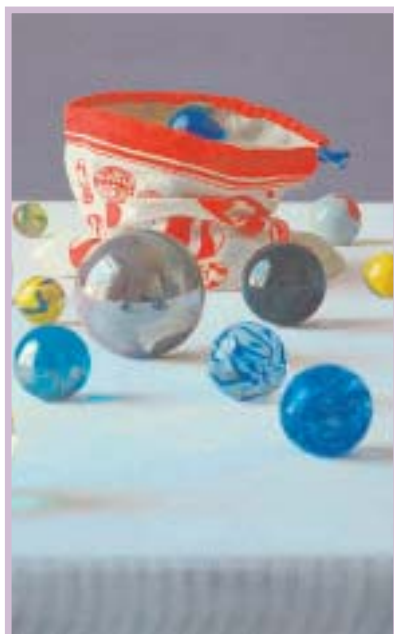
Charlotte Harris, who was educated in Ashford, won the BP Portrait Award in 2003 at the age of just 21 with her "extraordinary and telling" portrait of her grandmother.

Her picture of Dame Vivien Duffield, commissioned as part of the award, hangs in the National Portrait Gallery and she has also painted portraits of Richard Harries, Bishop of Oxford, the philanthropist Sigrid Rausing and Peter Jonas, director of the Munich Opera. A new portrait of her sister and contemporary still-life pieces will be included in the exhibition.

Folkestone-based Leigh Mulley is a realistic painter who studied at the former Kent Institute of Art and Design and has been a full-time artist for more than six years.

She exhibits extensively both in the UK and internationally, particularly in New York. She also works with community projects and finds living in Folkestone a great inspiration for her work.

For details, visit www.arealistexhibition.com.



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You'll be rocking and rolling at the Legion

STEP back in time and relive the glory days of rock'n'roll with Ricky Fontayne's ultimate tribute show.

Fontayne sings the hits of the 50s and 60s made famous by icons such as Elvis Presley. He will be performing at the Royal British Legion Club in St Leonards Road, Hythe, at 9pm on Saturday.

For more information about the venue, phone Philippa on 07956 877961.

You can bank on Tontine Street's new venue

THE men behind Canterbury's Orange Street Music Club have launched a new venue in Folkestone.

A former bank in Tontine Street has been transformed into an intimate bar, decorated in 70s-style bohemian fashion.

The Bank Bar serves Fairtrade tea and coffee from 10am and food from Angelo's Deli in Westgate. Phone 01303 243425, or Twitter under thebanktontine.

Exhibition will take you round the world

LANDSCAPES from Folkestone to Nepal can be admired in Stephen Perry's latest exhibition.

Round The World From Folkestone is a collection of work by the Kensington-based photographer.

The exhibition is at the Palm Court Gallery in The Grand, Folkestone, from Monday to Saturday, December 5. See Perry's work at www.stephenperry.com.

N-Dubz reschedule Leas Cliff Hall gig for charity

AWARD-WINNING hip-hop group N-Dubz won't be performing at the Leas Cliff Hall on Friday after being asked to perform for Children In Need that evening.

Tickets already bought will remain valid for a rescheduled concert on Wednesday, March 31. If you return tickets to the place of purchase before Friday you can get a refund. For more information, phone the box office on 01303 228600.

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IN STORE

Skate over to Hop Farm for Christmas shopping

SHOP for gifts in an atmospheric setting as the Hop Farm hosts a traditional Christmas market.

The attraction in Paddock Wood is running the market village, which is free to enter, until Christmas Eve. Complete with a 65ft Christmas tree, the market will give shoppers the chance to browse stalls offering everything from toys to gift-vouchers.

The Hop Farm's ice-rink is also now open every day until Christmas Eve. Visit www.thehopfarm.co.uk.

You'll be so cross if you miss these celebrations

START the festive season in style as Westwood Cross near Broadstairs launches its Christmas celebrations.

On Saturday the shopping centre will host lots of family entertainment, including dancing displays, songs from Christmas shows and games on the main stage near the sundial from 2.30pm.

The Christmas Market will be open for business from Monday. Find out more online at www.westwoodx.co.uk, or phone 01843 867273.

Little Britain star kicks up a stink at Bluewater

LITTLE Britain star David Walliams will be paying a visit to Bluewater for two special reasons on Friday.

The comedian, actor and author will sign copies of his new children's book, Mr Stink, at Waterstone's from 4.30pm to 5.30pm. He will then make his way to Bluewater's Winter Wonderland to switch on the Christmas lights.

Mr Stink is illustrated by Quentin Blake and published by HarperCollins Children's Books, priced at £12.99.

Support local traders with a new Melocard

SHOPPING locally just became a lot more rewarding with the launch of the new Melocard.

Designed to help support independent traders, the card offers exclusive offers at more than 100 shops, restaurants and businesses in Kent.

The card, priced at £10, gives offers until March 2011 and can be bought online at www.melocard.com/getacard or at MeloSpot locations, which are listed on the website.

You can maxximise your shopping online

PICK up some Christmas bargains without leaving the comfort of your desk as TK Maxx offers online shopping.

With the same discounts of up to 60 per cent found in stores, the online shop offers a range of gift ideas for all the family. Men's toys, gadgets and electronics start at just £5.99, while gifts for the lady in your life cost as little as £7.99.

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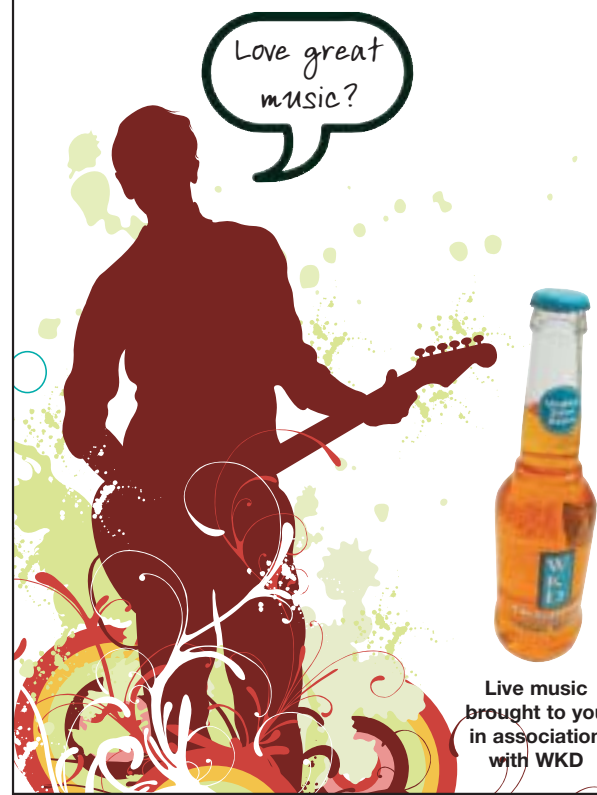
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YOUR TV REVIEW

BY TOM BETTS

- THE APPRENTICE USA**
BBC One, 11.20pm, 12.05pm,
Monday
- JAMES MAY'S TOY STORIES**
BBC Two, 9pm, Tuesday

MY fans (there a couple of you out there, right?) will remember earlier this year I wrote that David Dickinson's hair – that monster salt-and-pepper bouffant – should require a licence.

Well, compared with Donald Trump's strange 'do, David's looks positively normal.

Whatever it is on the billionaire's bonce, I don't think it's natural.

Whether it's a weave, one hell of a comb-over, a hair transplant or just a good old-fashioned rug, it's a miracle of modern engineering.

He'd be better off bald, for certain, but I guess having all that money can lead you to believe anything is possible.

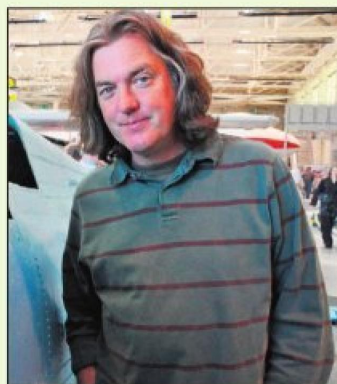
The style is available for inspection on The Apprentice USA, currently running on BBC One.

As a programme it's far too brutally edited and sensationalised to be credible, but this double-bill is trashy beyond belief and entertaining enough to keep me awake until late on Monday nights.

It's highly addictive and the candidates happily knife each other in the back to climb the greasy pole, with a spot working for the main man the prize.

Trump commands the screen whenever he is on, and his little 60-second segments of business advice such as "be a team player" are the most obvious statements ever made, yet they are drilled home as though he was the only one to have ever had that thought.

Rocking a silly haircut all of his



A BIG KID: James May returns to his childhood on a grand scale with his BBC Toy Stories show

own, James May is filling his Top-Gear's-off-the-box time with his rather jolly effort, James May's Toy Stories.

In every hour-long episode the petrolhead grapples with a much-loved toy of yesteryear, such as Lego or Meccano, to produce something mega and odd.

In recent episodes he has built a garden made entirely out of Plasticine, which he exhibited at the Chelsea Flower Show, and a giant Airfix-style Spitfire with the help of children.

Despite their initial sneering at something that isn't an iPod or Nintendo DS, most of them looked like they'd never had so much fun.

What I like about May, much more than his Top Gear colleagues Clarkson and Hammond, is he's that little bit more laid back, whereas the other two just come across as trying too hard to impress.

Bumbling around trying to convince people that the old toys were the best is a perfect fit for his persona and, at the risk of sounding like my dad, you may even learn something.

YOUR WEEK'S HOROSCOPE BY RUSSELL GRANT



AQUARIUS (Jan 21-Feb 19)

ENLISTING the aid of a legal professional may be the best way to cut through a lot of red tape. Although you hate spending money on this sort of thing, it's better than taking matters into your own hands. A good friend could invite you along on a business trip.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Aquarius** 09067-531762



TAURUS (Apr 21-May 21)

YOU could meet someone special soon. Keep your eyes open for a free-spirited foreigner. Although the two of you are quite different, you balance each other nicely. The object of your affection appreciates your earthy sensuality, while you enjoy their fun-loving ways.

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LEO (Jul 24-Aug 23)

AN expert could show you some valuable tips for improving your creative work. Be willing to experiment with this technique, even if it seems counterintuitive at first. An oppressive colleague will try to dampen your spirits. Don't let their gloomy predictions break your stride.

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SCORPIO (Oct 24-Nov 22)

YOU could be offered an assignment that requires you to work behind the scenes. Although you hate giving an executive the credit for your labour, it's the fastest way to put more money in your account. If you see a person getting abused by the power structure, speak up on their behalf.

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PISCES (Feb 20-Mar 20)

SWITCHING industries could result in a pay cut, but this is just a temporary situation. Pretty soon, you'll get bigger and more lucrative job assignments. It's just a matter of paying your dues. If you have any bright ideas for saving money, present them to your boss.

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GEMINI (May 22-Jun 21)

NOTHING is more satisfying than getting paid for work you enjoy. Don't be surprised if someone approaches you with a business contract. If you've been struggling with a relationship, this would be a good time to talk to an old friend who may be able to help you see things in a new light.

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VIRGO (Aug 24-Sep 23)

SOMETIMES it feels like a relationship is based on what you can buy, instead of your worth as a person. Part of the problem is your impulse to earn people's affections. See what happens when you sit back and let a relationship take its course without any interference from you.

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23-Dec 21)

PEOPLE admire your 'can do' attitude and may ask you to take the helm of an important project. The secret to your success is your fair treatment of workers. You don't ask anyone to do work you aren't willing to do yourself. Nobody could accuse you of playing favourites, either.

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ARIES (Mar 21-Apr 20)

A BUSINESS or romantic partnership will put you on the road to adventure. Beware of pressuring a youngster into doing something they don't want to do. By honouring their boundaries, they will eventually summon the courage to take a chance. Until then, respect their wishes.

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CANCER (Jun 23-Jul 23)

WORKING from home will help you keep an eye on a sick relative. Ask your boss for special permission. If such an arrangement is not possible, you may want to take some time off. Your nurturing capabilities will speed the healing. A romance could hit a bump due to money.

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LIBRA (Sep 24-Oct 23)

YOUR air of authority prompts other people to put their faith in you. This is a wonderful time to make a bold proposal. Fund-raising activities are also favoured. If you've had your eye on someone special, now is the time to make your move. It will be difficult to resist your charms.

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CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 20)

A BUREAUCRATIC institution can help you up the ladder of success. If you're looking for work, you may want to apply to government agency, hospital or university. The experience will be invaluable. You'll also enjoy the stability and good benefits such an employer affords.

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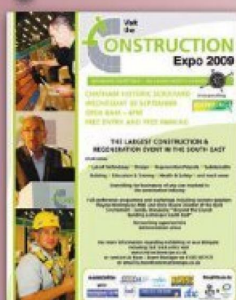
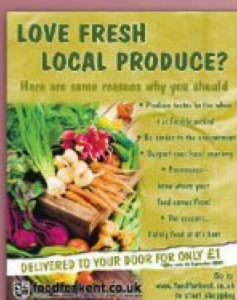
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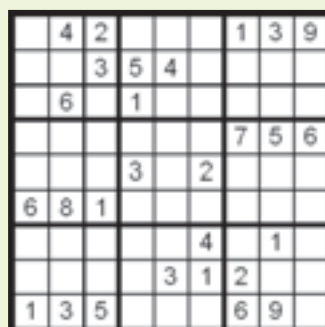
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CRYPTIC CLUES

ACROSS

- 8 Purge out being mostly innocent inside old entrance (9)
9 Extreme characters going by the water that's blue (5)
10 Formerly simultaneously (2,3,4)
11 Man said to assume a praying position (5)
12 Making the first attack after a spell, it's an attractive way of trying to get what one wants (5,9)
15 The man to get by (4)
17 It's liquid tending to flow (5)
19 Streak from vine (4)
21 Continental water? (9,5)
23 Savage hesitantly entered Cornish river (5)
24 Speed that could be injurious (9)
26 Hooded bird? (5)
27 Because of engineers entering new assault (2,1,6)

DOWN

- 1 Was to do with the ear? That's outlandish (6)
2 Daughter inside hurried up in landing-place in a dilemma (8)
3 Urge race official with hourglass (3-5)
4 Team leader entered total of partly fermented wine (4)
5 Support gambling (7)
6 Young June with live performance (8)
7 Healthy state despite shocking binge after spring (9)
13 Most of money soldier had for mushrooms (5)
14 Start removing crossing-place in North London (9)
16 Bachelor having awful bother with loose garment (8)
18 Freeholders' money Ray changed (8)
19 Capitalists from Austria (8)
20 Plain sort of chocolate (7)
22 Delightfully found one in North Carolina cathedral city (6)
25 Some citrus (kiwi) fruit in biscuit (4)

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QUICK CLUES

ACROSS

- 8 Shoulder-piece (9)
9 Brume (anag.) (5)
10 Physically big and strong (4-5)
11 Oscillate (5)
12 Prophesied (14)
15 Residence (4)
17 Electronic message (5)
19 Joke (4)
21 Of birds (14)
23 Prizefighter (5)
24 Foyer (9)
26 Raced (anag.) (5)
27 Subdue (9)

DOWN

- 1 Maintenance (6)
2 Use a levelling machine (8)
3 Series (8)
4 And elsewhere (2,2)
5 Clump of grass (7)
6 Wormwood liqueur (8)
7 Stiff coldness (9)
13 Undersized (5)
14 Reversion (9)
16 Carbon ___ (8)
18 Bandage (8)
19 Foot and knee covering (8)
20 Cook rapidly in a pan (4-3)
22 Quietened (6)
25 Jealousy (4)

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3 Axminster 4 In town 5 Subject 6 Betrayal
7 Sprat 8 Distressed 12 Clay-pigeon 15
Falsehood 16 Adhesive 18 Carry on 20
Anorak 22 Crone 23 Tiny.

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Stir-fry 22 Lulled 25 Envy.
Monoxide 18 Ligate 19 Jackboot 20
7 Frigidity 13 Small 14 Throwback 16
3 Sequence 4 Et al 5 Tussock 6 Absinthe
Overpower. DOWN: 1 Uplake 2 Bulldoze
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MICHAEL JACKSON'S THIS IS IT (PG)



Hastily constructed from hundreds of hours of rehearsal footage, Kenny Ortega's documentary is a glowing tribute to the King Of Pop as he prepared for the most spectacular shows of his career.

UP (U)



The latest masterpiece from Pixar is an airborne adventure in the company of a cranky old man and an excitable young boy. The opening 10 minutes are among the finest Pixar has ever crafted.

Sir Michael goes back to his council-estate roots

■ BY KATE WHITING

PERHAPS it's due to his advancing years, or because he still thinks of himself as an inner-city boy with nothing to lose, but either way Sir Michael Caine is happy to be utterly candid.

Talking about everything from his pet-hates, UK taxes and box-office flops to all those remakes of his classic films, the 76-year-old actor Sir Michael is as open as they come.

But it is his childhood which is the focus of public interest as fans await the release of his latest film, *Harry Brown*.

Set on a council estate in south London's Elephant & Castle, not far from where he grew up, Michael plays the eponymous hero – a widowed pensioner living in a concrete high-rise who fights back when his only friend is murdered by a local gang.

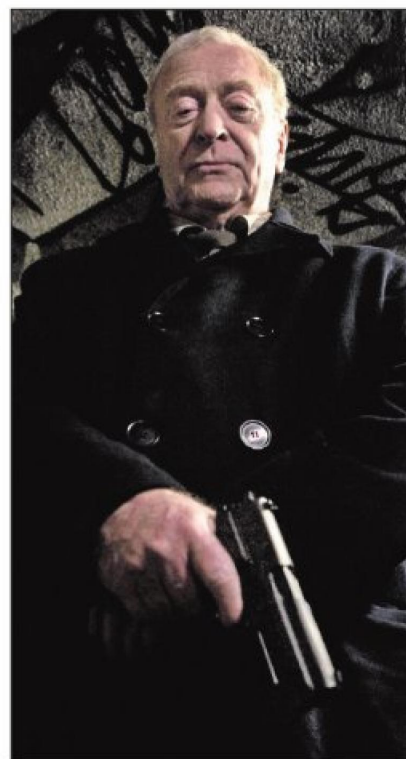
"The film is a sort of wake-up call to people. I know what it's like because I come from there, but for people who don't know about it, we have now got into this circle of drugs and violence and killing. And if you don't do something about it, it's coming to a street near you."

Sir Michael was born to a cook and a fish-market porter and lived in a prefab council house, some 500 yards from the block of flats where he filmed *Harry Brown*.

"In that estate you see in the film, there's a plaque on the wall with me on it, a sort of dedication to me."

Any other actor might have been concerned about filming night-shoots in such a rough location, but Sir Michael felt very much at home among the locals.

"I had an incredible experience there. I worked there for weeks at night and I met all these guys and I became fascinated by them."



CANDID: Michael Caine is happy to shoot from the hip

"And I got a sense that we had let these guys down. It's all right to say 'These scumbags, they're knifing, shooting, killing, selling drugs', but they have no sense of direction."

"If you're a young man and you grow up in that atmosphere, you have to join a gang,

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otherwise you're dead, or smashed to pieces if you walk around on your own."

Back in the 1940s, when Michael was a teenager, things were very different.

"There was violence, but not the kind you see today. Our drugs were alcohol and our weapons were boots and fists."

"I had a very tough father and a very tough brother and if anybody ever came to our house, they never came again," he adds, with a smile.

For all the hardship of his early years, Sir Michael remembers having two forms of escape, which helped to shape his future.

"One of them was the library – I'm still to this day an incessant reader – and the other was the cinema. If I liked a movie, I would go every day and see the same movie. You could just sit there all day. That was my escape."

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Kings Hill cottages that have a feel for tradition

COTTAGES being built by Hillreed Homes in West Malling are being created in a traditional style.

Developers say they take owners 'back to basics' in terms of quiet lanes and attractive exteriors of different homes at the Kings Hill site.

Internally, they tick all the boxes for modern-day living, being eco-friendly properties with excellent insulation and low-cost maintenance.

Building is just commencing, with the first homes expected to be in the spring. Currently, there are opportunities to buy at 2009 prices.

The Hillreed Homes website, www.hillreed.co.uk, has a full list of prices and images.

The price of a farmworker's cottage is £259,950. This is for a three-bedroom, semi-detached house with parking.



'Property millionaires' hit by slump in market

THE recent slump in the property market has had a marked effect on those who have made a fortune through owning homes.

Research from Zoopla.co.uk, the online property website, has revealed the extent to which property millionaires in the UK have suffered since the housing market peaked in autumn 2007.

According to the website, the number of million-pound properties in the UK has dwindled by more than a third since the downturn, despite the recent turnaround in property values.

Alex Chesterman, the founder and chief executive of Zoopla.co.uk, said: "The housing-market downturn has taken its toll on the exclusive property millionaires club, reducing the number of those who can claim membership from 283,168 in November 2007 to only 183,630 today."

Broadband speed blow to rural homes demand

BROADBAND speeds can affect how desirable a property is, according to a recent study

A survey by ISPreview.co.uk, a source of internet service provider information, has established that no matter how sought-after a property is, most people would not buy it if the best broadband speed it could achieve was just 1Mbps.

The survey, which questioned 721 people, also found that a little over half, 51 per cent, are willing to pay more for a house with faster broadband.

Almost two-thirds of those questioned said the minimum broadband speed they required would be "more than 4Mbps", with just one-fifth voting for 4Mbps itself and 10 per cent voting for 2Mbps, while just 6.6 per cent voted for 1Mbps.

Emphasis

ISPreview.co.uk's editor and founder, Mark Jackson, said: "Consumers clearly place a significant emphasis on broadband performance, so much so that an overwhelming majority would even be willing to give up on an almost perfect dream home in favour of a cosmetically less attractive one that received faster speeds."

"The results could have profound implications because many slower homes are often found in remote and rural locations that reside further from their local telephone exchange, hinting at the potential for a greater exodus into towns and cities where speeds are higher and prices lower."

According to Mr Jackson, the findings of its survey "highlights the importance of being able to deliver speeds of more than double the current Government target, which is committed to delivering a minimum 2Mbps broadband speed to everybody by 2012. This may now simply end up being too little, too late."



DEAL-BREAKER: It may be your dream home, but if broadband speeds are slow, you could have a job selling your property

Rise in prices 'likely to continue'

IN its latest survey of the housing market, the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors says that UK house prices are likely to keep on rising for the short term.

The news, which was released this month, is a welcome boost for the economy, which failed to emerge from recession in the third quarter.

Meanwhile, according to the institute, the balance of surveyors reporting price rises rather than falls rose to 34 per cent, up from 20 per cent the previous month, and the strongest survey result in favour of rising prices in almost three years.

House price indices from the Nationwide and the Halifax have both reported rising house prices, but the Halifax has cautioned that the momentum was unlikely to continue since more homes were being put up for sale and this would, in turn, result in a slowdown in the demand for homes.

Jeremy Leaf, of the RICS, said: "Although the supply of property is beginning to pick up, it is still insufficient to keep pace with the increase in demand, which points to further price gains in the near term."

"Cheap money remains a critical prop for the

market and this is being reflected in the continuing appetite for finance from first-time buyers, despite the large deposits still being demanded by lenders."

In the meantime, over the last three months completed sales have continued to rise steadily to an average of 19 per surveyor, representing a slight rise on the previous quarter.

In other recent news, the British Retail Consortium revealed that retail sales in October had surged by an annual rate of 3.8 per cent, further fuelling hopes that a recovery was gathering pace.



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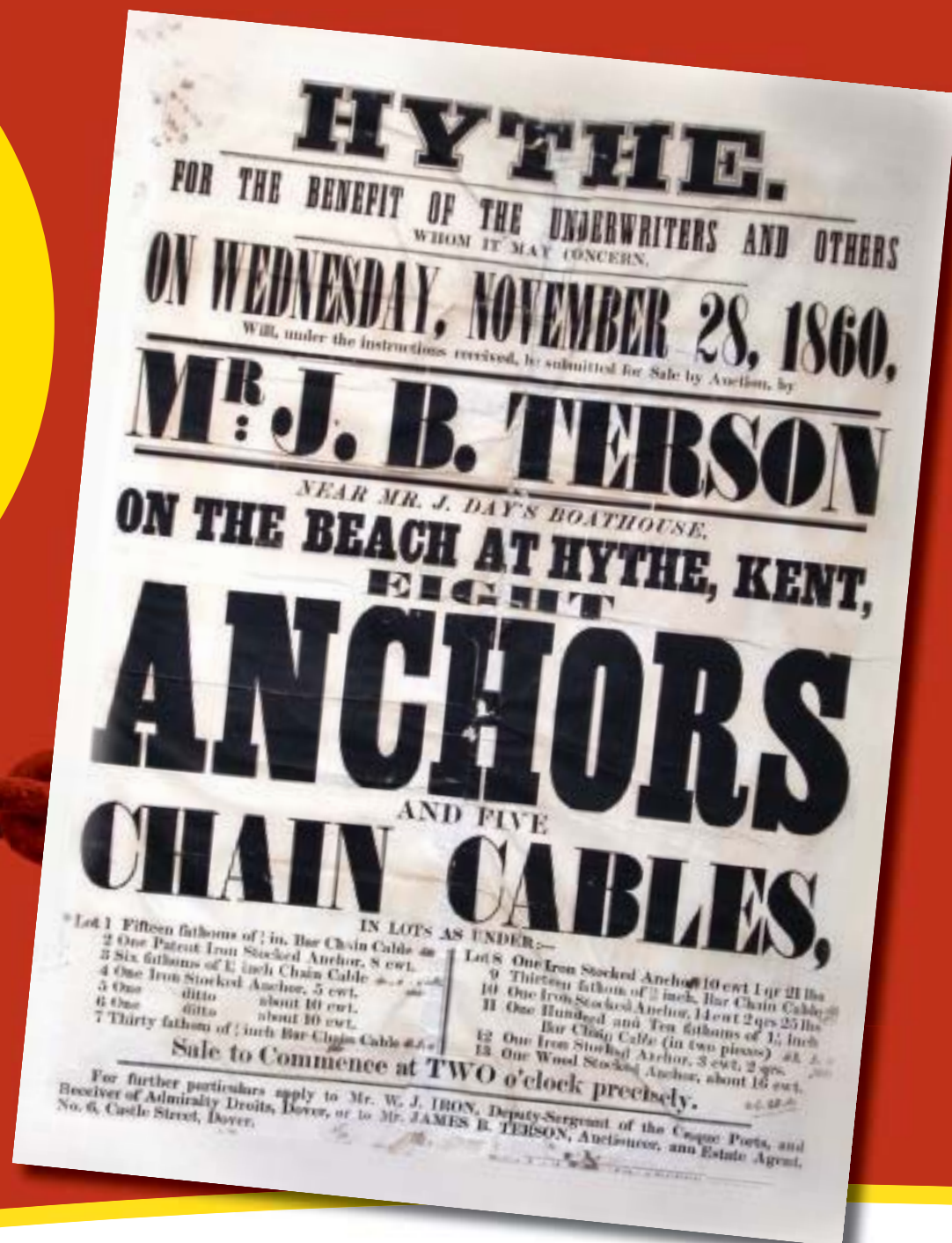
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Peugeot's niche buster to take on the Qashqai

PEUGEOT'S new 3008 crossover has arrived to attack Nissan's highly successful Qashqai.

The French 'niche buster' blends MPV, SUV and family hatch styling and load-carrying versatility.

There is no actual 4x4 option for now, but a hybrid with electric motors powering the rear wheels is due later and there is a cost-effective £450 Grip Control option for now. This mimics the powers of a modest 4x4 or 'soft roader'.

Prices range from £15,995-21,895.



Renault proudly unleash their ultimate Mégane

SPORTING sub-brand Renaultsport has created the ultimate performance Mégane – at least for now.

The Mégane Renaultsport 250 has a 2.0-litre turbocharged engine and choice of two chassis: standard Sport and Cup, the latter featuring a limited slip differential.

The newcomer echoes the Mégane Coupé's sleek lines, but gains extended wheel arches for 18 or 19-inch wheels and a front bumper with wide air intake and F1-type aerodynamic blade.

Prices start at £21,995.



Superb extra capacity and luxury from Skoda

SKODA launches its most luxurious estate car in January – a version of the affordable Superb executive saloon/hatch.

The Czech marque says it has a class-leading load capacity of 1,865 litres – and a choice of three petrol and three diesel engines.

Buyers can also opt for a VW group twin-clutch gearbox – the auto that can be driven as a manual – with similar or better fuel economy. An electronically operated boot opening and panoramic sunroof are further options.



SMALL WONDER: Toyota's new IQ3 delivers more acceleration and power than the entry level IQ, but is £2,000 dearer and has higher CO2 emissions meaning £35 road tax a year

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fits the ethos of a small city runabout; auto changes in the original IQ feel more frantic.

Overall IQ attributes are impressive: it is just 30cms longer than the rival Smart ForTwo yet gains two seats.

However, the seat behind the driver is virtually useless. The front passenger seat is staggered close to the dashboard though, so an adult can sit behind – just.

So we have a 3+1-seat car rather than a full four-seater and the '+1' is really the boot as there is barely any space behind the rear seat-backs.

Nevertheless, the IQ shows masterly packaging and its low stance and wider track, largely overcomes pitching expected from such a short wheelbase car. The IQ drives and handles well for its size too.

Interior quality and trimming is superb, but could be funkier to attack the Smart.

On the other hand, this is the 'Lexus' of city cars and comes with no less than nine airbags – it may be small, but it is very safe.

Nevertheless, Motorline admits the 'Lexus' price tag can make some buyers turn to the Japanese brand's slightly bigger yet cheaper full four-seat Aygo.



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A4, Fsi Sport, re54hlf, immobiliser, remote central locking, cloth upholstery, colour coded interior, centre armrest, height adjustable seat, rear armrest, adjustable steering column, parking sensor, power steering, stability control, abs, multiple airbags, silver, 49000 miles, £7990, Kent, 01342 851122 (TRADE)

A6, Allroad TDI Quattro, ay54kpo, alarm, immobiliser, remote central locking, colour coded interior, full leather, centre armrest, electric seats, heated seats, height adjustable seat, lumbar support, rear armrest, adjustable steering column, colour satnav, 69000 miles, £10990, Kent, 01342 851122 (TRADE)

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1 Series, 116 iSport 5dr with full leather, it55vmd, remote alarm, remote central locking, full leather, rear headrests, power steering, traction control, abs, 48000 miles, £9995, Welling, 0208 8548037 (TRADE)

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BRAVO, 1.4 Active Sport 5dr Hatch, rk59pgy, pas, abs, remote central locking, front electric windows, front fog lights, alloy wheels, trip computer, cruise control, side airbags, electricdoor mirrors, steering wheel reach adjustment, drivers airbag, rear headrests, isofix child seat anchor points, folding rear seats, 3x3 point rear seat belts, height adjustable, 100 miles, silver metallic, 100 miles, £10995, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 549766 (TRADE)

BRAVO, 1.6 Multijet 150 Dynamic 5dr Diesel Hatch, rk59pnf, pas, abs, remote central locking, front electric windows, rear electric windows, front fog lights, trip computer, cruise control, 100 miles, £13995, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 549766 (TRADE)

BRAVO, 1.6 Multijet Dynamic Eco 5dr Diesel Hatch, av58fht, pas, abs, remote central locking, front electric windows, rear electric windows, front fog lights, alloy wheels, trip computer, 12000 miles, £10995, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 549766 (TRADE)

DOBLO, 1.9 Multijet Dynamic 5dr [120] Diesel Estate, vp58jvf, pas, abs, air conditioning, remote central locking, front electric windows, front fog lights, alloy wheels, radio/cd, trip computer, electricdoor mirrors, steering wheel reach adjustment, drivers airbag, rear headrests, folding rear seats, body coloured bumpers, service indicator, space saver spare wheel, lumbar support, immobiliser, front armrest, front head restraints, 3x3 point rear seat belts, rear wiper, cloth seat trim, height adjustable drivers seat, beige metallic, 17250 miles, £8995, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 549766 (TRADE)

DOBLO, Active Hr, mt06zgd, abs, air bag, immobiliser, central locking, remote central locking, power steering, electric front windows, trip computer, adjustable steering column, rear headrests, automatic electric windows, cloth upholstery, power steering, rear wiper, heated rear window, space saver spare wheel, service interval indicator, air recirculation system, side rubbing strips, height adjustable driver's seat, rear parcel shelf, height adjustable front headrests, driver's seat armrest, body coloured door mirrors, sliding side doors, seatbelt pretensioners with load limiters, 2nd row 60/40 splitfold, 5 x 3 point seatbelts, passenger side oddments compartment with lid on fascia, follow me home headlights, storage compartments under sunvisors, second row windows with sliding rear panel, blue, 13000 miles, £6495, Welling, 0208 303 4030 (TRADE)

DOBLO, Bonhoffa Hot & Cold Catering Vending Truck, av59wv, bonhoffa conversion, hot cabinet, cold cabinet, 3x access hatches, hand wash, led interior lighting, white, 29000 miles, £11995, Sevenoaks, 01474 853034 (TRADE)

DOBLO, Jtd Dynamic Diesel, gk06wmg, metallic paintwork, electric mirrors, electric windows, air conditioning, cd player, radio, rear wash/wipe, power steering, abs, twin air bags, front fog lamps, cambelt changed, central locking, remote central locking, cloth upholstery, retractable headrests, height adjustable seat, folding rear seats, rear headrests, copper orange metallic, 76000 miles, £4999, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

DOBLO, Cargo, m56uzc, cloth upholstery, twin sliding doors, ply-lined, bulkhead, barn doors, adjustable steering column, power steering, abs, air bag, white, 29000 miles, £4745, Sevenoaks, 01474 853034 (TRADE)

UCATO, 35 Lwb 120 Multijet Refrigerated Chiller, wp56ofg, side load door, dual passenger seat, cd player, air bag, abs, electric windows, electric mirrors, remote central locking, op lined, hubbard fridge, electric standby available if required, over fifty fridge vans in stock, www.BHRV.co.uk, white, 20000 miles, £11995, Sevenoaks, 01474 853034 (TRADE)

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GRANDE Punto, lm08vue, pas, abs, remote central locking, front electric windows, alloy wheels, radio/cd, trip computer, side airbags, steering wheel reach adjustment, drivers airbag, folding rear seats, service indicator, 3074 miles, £7987, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 549766 (TRADE)

GRANDE Punto, ea06xop, pas, abs, remote central locking, front electric windows, alloy wheels, trip computer, side airbags, electricdoor mirrors, steering wheel reach adjustment, drivers airbag, front head restraints, folding rear seats, service indicator, full size spare wheel, immobiliser, isofix child seat anchor points, rear armrest, 3x3 point rear seat belts, body coloured bumpers, height adjustable drivers seat, rear wiper, cloth seat trim, crossover black metallic, 26950 miles, £6996, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 549766 (TRADE)

GRANDE Punto, gf56eka, pas, abs, remote central locking, front electric windows, radio/cd, trip computer, electricdoor mirrors, steering wheel reach adjustment, drivers airbag, cloth seat trim, isofix child seat anchor points, front head restraints, service indicator, height adjustable drivers seat, full size spare wheel, steel wheels, rear armrest, 3x3 point rear seat belts, blue, 20000 miles, £5995, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 549766 (TRADE)

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GRANDE Punto, gk58ylu, pas, abs, remote central locking, front electric windows, radio/cd, trip computer, electricdoor mirrors, steering wheel reach adjustment, drivers airbag, steel wheels, isofix child seat anchor points, 3x3 point rear seat belts, rear wiper, full size spare wheel, immobiliser, jungle grey metallic, 11000 miles, £7495, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 549766 (TRADE)

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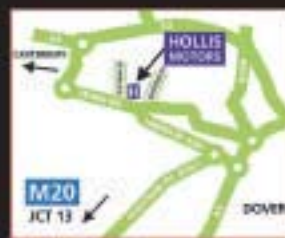
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POSTPONED: Neil Cugley's outfit had an unexpected break

Welcome weather break for injured Seasiders

FOLKESTONE Invicta had a frustrating Saturday after their game at Croydon Athletic was called off just as their coach arrived at the ground.

The pitch passed an inspection in the morning, but further heavy rain made the surface at the Keith Tuckey Stadium unplayable.

Seasiders manager Neil Cugley had mixed feelings about the postponement.

He said: "It's difficult because once you get on that coach you want to play, but it can't be helped. The only positive thing was we had a few players struggling with minor

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injuries who would have played. The extra couple of days without a game will make a big difference for them."

Jimmy Jackson (stomach), Josh Vincent (foot) and James Everitt (back) were all due to play through the pain but instead got a welcome weekend off to recover.

Invicta need everyone in their small squad firing on all cylinders for two big games in four days. They were due to face Met Police last night (Tuesday) and enter-

tain leaders Worthing at the Buzzlins Stadium on Saturday.

Cugley said: "By the end of this month we'll know if we are good enough to be at the top of the table. We'll just keep plugging away and see what happens. I always thought Worthing would be there or thereabouts and they're the team for everyone to catch now."

Skipper Jimmy Dryden should be fit enough to be named on the bench this weekend as he recovers from a knee injury.

• Log on to www.yourshepway.co.uk for details from last night's game with Met Police

FOOTBALL

Picture IGOR KUPCO



DETERMINED: Scott Porter will be desperate to see his Hythe side return to form at Beckenham

Waterlogged pitch dampens ambitions

HYTE Town's hopes of moving out of the bottom half of the Kent League were dashed on Saturday as their game against Corinthian was postponed.

A waterlogged pitch at Corinthian's Gay Dawn Farm Stadium forced the fixture to be postponed, which left Hythe with three games in hand on the majority of the teams in the division.

This Saturday, Scott Porter's side will have the chance to begin their charge up the division when they travel to take on third-placed Beckenham Town.

Beckenham, who have accumulated 21 points from their ten league games this season, will present a tough challenge for Hythe.

However, if Town can win their games in hand they could move back into title contention in the top three.

Hythe's opponents on Saturday will go into the game full of confidence after scoring 13 goals in their last three games.

Following Saturday's postponement at Corinthian, Town were due to play a friendly against Canterbury City last night. Log on to www.yourshepway.co.uk for a full report.

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McMurray's try vital as Stones storm to victory

RUGBY

■ BY TOM HOWARD

Folkestone 8

Crowborough 3

HORRENDOUS weather conditions failed to unsettle a determined Folkestone as they dispatched Crowborough to move out of the bottom half of London South East 3.

The game started on schedule despite heavy rain and high winds, but after a few minutes both sides were called in by the referee to take cover from a thunderstorm.

Once the storm had passed, the game resumed and Crowborough produced the first meaningful attack of the afternoon.

The Stones held firm and shortly afterwards the hosts scored the first try of the afternoon to open the scoring.

After several phases of play which put Crowborough under severe pressure in their 22, Jack McMurray picked up the ball and drove over.

The East Sussex side responded midway through the half with a penalty but were guilty of wasting several good opportunities to score.

Penalty

Folkestone restored their five-point lead at the end of the half with a kick from Keith Green.

The fly-half chose to kick a penalty from 45 yards. His effort struck the crossbar, but Crowborough were penalised again from the rebound and this time Green slotted the ball between the posts.

With only a slender lead at the break, Folkestone still had work to do in the second half to secure only their third league win of the season.

In the second half, Crowborough had the advantage of the wind, but instead of using the boot they decided to run the ball with their backs.

Despite a number of attacks and a couple of occasions when Crowborough managed to work good overlaps, Folkestone's defence held firm to clinch a much-needed and ultimately-deserved victory.

• This Saturday, Folkestone are in action in the third round of the Senior Vase against Hastings & Bexhill.



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ON THE UP: Folkestone battled through difficult weather conditions to clinch their third win of the season

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